

**PABLO, A POLYPEPTIDE THAT INTERACTS WITH BCL-XL, AND USES  
RELATED THERETO**

**ABSTRACT**

The present invention relates, at least in part, to polypeptides which include Bcl-xL binding domains, novel Bcl-xL binding domains of Pablo polypeptides, nucleic acid molecules encoding such polypeptides, and uses thereof. For example, such polypeptides and nucleic acid molecules are useful in modulating apoptosis, particularly in neural cells, as well as in the treatment or prevention of disorders that can benefit from modulation of cell death.